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SUBJ: BHUTTO'S NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE TRIP

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1. BHUTTO CONTINUED HIS WHIRLWIND TOUR OF THE NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE OVER WEEKEND, MAKING SEVERAL SPEECHES DAILY AND VISITING POPULATION CENTERS IN AREA FROM CHITRAL TO MALAKAND. TRIP WILL WIND UP TODAY, JULY 15, WITH SCHEDULED SPEECH AND PRESS CONFERENCE AT PARACHINAR.

2. PRIMIN'S SPEECHES HAVE BEEN HARD-HITTING, OFTEN STRIDENT AND REPETITIOUS. FOLLOWING ARE MAIN TOPICS HE HAS FOCUSED ON:

(A) FOLLOWING PATTERN OF FIRST SPEECH (REFTEL, AFGHANISTAN HAS CONTINUED TO BE HIS PRIMARY TARGET. HE HAS REPEATEDLY CHARGED DAUD REGIME WITH INTERFERENCE IN PAKISTAN'S AFFAIRS, DISPATCHING AGENTS TO COMMIT ACTS OF TERRORISM, REINFORCING PAK-AFGHAN BORDER, ATTEMPTING TO EXPLOIT ANTI-AHMADIYAN EMOTIONS HERE, AND VARIETY OF OTHER HOSTILE ACTS. HE HAS RIDICULED AFGHAN DEMANDS FOR

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PLEBISCITE IN PUSHTUNISTAN, ASSERTING THAT AFGHANISTAN

ITSELF HAS NEVER HAD A FREE ELECTION, AND HAS DENIGRATED DAUD'S DOMESTIC ACCOMPWUSHMENTS AS WELL. TONE HAS BEEN HARSH AND WARNINGS TO AFGHANISTAN BLUNT.

(B) PRIMIN HAS ALSO REPEATEDLY BROUGHT UP ALLEGED THREE-WAY--OR SOMETIMES FOUR-WAY-- CONSPIRACY AGAINST PAKISTAN, FREQUENTLY CITING INDIAN NUCLEAR TEST, DAUD'S MOSCOW VISIT, ANTI-AHMADIYA AGITATION IN PAKISTAN, AND SOMETIMES WALI KHAN'S ALLEGED MEETINGS WITH DAUD IN LATE MAY AS EVIDENCE OF INTERNATIONAL PLOT TO DISMEMBER PAKISTAN.

(C) COUPLED WITH FOREGOING HAVE BEEN STRONG, BITTER ATTACKS ON WALI KHAN, CHARGING HIM WITH DISLOYALTY, SERVING AS AFGHAN AGENT AND SIMILAR SINS.

(D) BHUTTO HAS ALSO APPEALED FREQUENTLY FOR PATIENCE AND CALM IN FACING PROBLEM OF AHMADIYAN SECT, STRESSING THAT HE PERSONALLY BELIEVES TOTALLY IN FINALITY OF THE PROPHET MOHAMMAD (MAIN ISSUE IN WHICH AHMADIYAS AND ORTHODOX MUSLIMS DIVERGE) WHILE CALLING UPON AUDIENCES TO RECOGNIZE COMPLEXITY OF PROBLEM, TO AVOID VIOLENCE AND TO LET ISSUE BE RESOLVED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

(E) PRIMIN ALSO REFERRED ON NUMBER OF OCCASIONS TO ALLEGED INDIAN ACTIVITIES IN KASHMIR, CHARGING THAT INDIA HAD REINFORCED LINE OF CONTROL AGAINST PAKISTAN WHILE PLOTTING WITH SHEIKH ABDULLAH TO SELL OUT KASHMIR PEOPLE.

(F) APART FROM FOREGOING MAIN THEMES, AT EACH STOP PRIMIN EMPHASIZED VARIETY OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, SCHOOLS, ROADS, AND OTHER BENEFITS THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD BROUGHT TO THE AREA AND PROMISED MANY MORE IN FUTURE.

3. COMMENTS FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
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